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STREAMS AND IMPOUNDED SODIUM CARBONATE
DECAHYDRATE DEPOSITS

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Letter of January 27, 2004 (Paper No. 3), applicants submit the following response.

Please amend the claims as shown on the following pages.